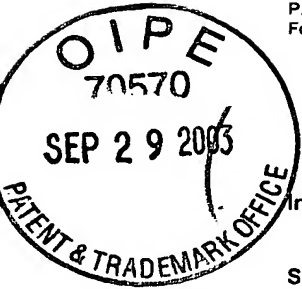


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Sir:

The applicant hereby submits a substitute specification pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.125(b). The substitute specification includes no new matter, and a marked up copy of the substitute specification has also been included in compliance with 37 CFR § 1.125(b)(2).

REMARKS

A substitute specification has been submitted to properly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 in the instant application. The claim for priority was inadvertently omitted from the specification as filed.

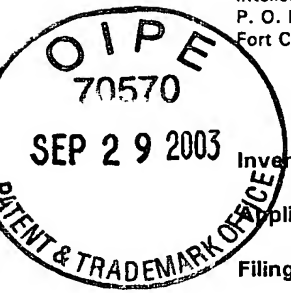
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() New fee as calculated below () Supplemental Declaration
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[] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$280	\$ 0
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TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0

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